

May 23, 1893.

The Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Carson City, Nevada.

Sir:

The Department having decided to confine the operations of the mint at Carson to the receipt, parting and refining of gold and silver bullion, and making payment for the same, also the purchasing of silver bullion, under the act of July 14, 1890, you are hereby instructed to discontinue all coinage operations at your mint from and after the first proximo.

The services of all persons employed in the coining department, including the assistant coiner, as well as those employed in the Melter and Refiner's department, paid from the regular appropriations, will be dispensed with .

With the suspension of the coinage operations the work of the assay department at your mint will be greatly reduced. I find upon examination of your abstract sheets that the deposits of both gold and silver do not average more than two a day. You will, therefore, dispense with the services of two workmen in the assay department

In the general department the services of the persons filling the following position, paid from the appropriation for wages of workmen, will no longer be required, viz: Record Clerk, Carpenter

Conductor, Blacksmith, Blacksmith's Helper, Coalman and two seamstress'.

While Congress has made specific appropriations for the salaries of certain clerks, viz: Book-keeper, Weigh Clerk, Cashier, Abstract Clerk, Registrar of Deposits and Assayer's Clerk, the business of your mint is not sufficient to justify the retention of all these persons, and as the duties of the Abstract Clerk and Registrar of Deposits can be performed by the Chief Clerk, Book-keeper and Weigh Clerk, and those of the Assayer's Clerk by the Assistant Assayer, the services of the present Abstract Clerk, Registrar of deposits and Assayer's Clerk will, therefore, be dispensed with.

A reduction of fifty cents per diem will be made in the compensation of all the watchmen, including the Captain of the Watch.

Arrangements will be made for the transfer of the gold bullion now on hand, and hereafter deposited, to the mint at San Francisco, of which arrangements you will be duly advised.

Very respectfully,

R. O. P. Austin
Acting Director.

Approved,

J. H. Carlson
Secretary,

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Very Respectfully,
R.E. Preston, Acting Director

Approved, /signed/ J.G. Carlisle, Secretary.